

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Bruce E. Garlick on 11/1/2007.

The application has been amended as follows:

a) in page 11, line 16 the recitation "Hands Fee I/F 338" is changed to "Hands Free I/F 338" 12/10/07

b) In line 9 of claim 32 the recitation "receiver; and" is changed to "receiver;"

c) In line 9 of claim 33 the recitation "processor" is changed to "processor; and"

Allowable Subject Matter

Claims 2-15 and 17-33 (renumbered 1-31) are allowed.

The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: claims 2-15 and 17-33 (renumbered 1-31) are allowed because a comprehensive search of prior art failed to teach, either alone or in combination, a method for performing Incremental Redundancy (IR) operations in a wireless receiver comprising receiving an analog signal corresponding to a data block, sampling the analog signal to produce samples, equalizing the samples to produce soft decision bits of the data block, configuring, by a system processor of the wireless receiver, a plurality of IR processing module registers, initiating, by the system processor of the wireless receiver, operation of an IR